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ASH GROVE CEMENT COMPANY



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June 10, 2005

Ms. Hermia Ip
City of Seattle Department of Planning and Development
700 5th Ave Suite 2000
P.O. Box 34019
Seattle, WA 98124-4019

**Re: Shoreline Substantial Development Permit Exemption Request for Maintenance
Dredging at Ash Grove Cement Barge Off-Loading Dock**

Dear Ms. Ip:

Ash Grove Cement requests a Shoreline Substantial Development Permit (SSDP) exemption and State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) review for maintenance dredging at the company's barge off-loading facility on the Lower Duwamish Waterway.

Location

The project site is located at 3801 East Marginal Way South, in the northeast quadrant of Section 18, Township 24N, and Range 4E. Shoreline designation is Urban Industrial.

Project Schedule

Dredging will be performed within the allowable in-water work window of October 1 to February 1, and will take 3 to 5 days.

Statement of Exemption

This project is exempt from the Shoreline Development Permit process based on the Seattle Municipal Code 23.60.020.C.1:

"Normal maintenance or repair of existing structures or developments, including damage by accident, fire or elements. "Normal maintenance" means those usual acts to prevent a decline, lapse or cessation from a lawfully established state comparable to its original condition, including but not limited to its size, shape, configuration, location, and external appearance, within a reasonable period after decay or partial destruction, except where repair causes substantial adverse effects to shoreline resources or environment."

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The dredged material will not be disposed of in-water or upland; rather, it will be dewatered and reused in Ash Grove Cement Company's cement manufacturing facility.

I have enclosed two copies of the JARPA complete with figures, two copies of the SEPA checklist, and a check for \$155 for processing the Shoreline exemption request.

Thank you in advance, for taking the time to process this request. Please contact Sasha Visconty at 206-903-3310, or by e-mail at svisconty@anchorenv.com if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'GAS' with a stylized flourish extending from the end.

Craig Puljan, Plant Manager
Ash Grove Cement

Cc: Sasha Visconty, Anchor Environmental
David Pierce, PND